



# Lowell City Council Arts/Culture SC Meeting Minutes

Michael Q. Geary City Clerk

**Date:** March 20, 2018

*Time:* 5:30 PM

**Location:** City Council Chamber

375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA

#### PRESENT:

Present on Roll Call were C. Cirillo, C. Kennedy and C. Mercier. Also present were Henri Marchand (Lowell Cultural); Roberto Dei (Lowell Cultural); C. Leahy; C. Nuon; and C. Conway.

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

C. Cirillo noted meeting agenda and called meeting to order.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

C. Cirillo noted discussion would center on the artist community in City and how to better serve them. Mr. Marchand commented on various partners in the City they are involved with and how they promote their presence through social media and website. Mr. Marchand noted the support supplied to all artists efforts and festivals throughout the year. Mr. Marchand outlined use of website as promotion and guidance. Richard Bolton (COOL) spoke on his operation and how they are involved with the City. C. Cirillo commented on the importance of public art to enhance pride and beautification in the City. C. Mercier commented on connection to the artist community and that art comes in many different forms. Mr. Marchand outlined various art projects in the City including painting of concrete barriers. Mr. Burton commented on current cultural APP being developed and the Creaticity Festival. Mr. Burton noted organization was in transition. C. Cirillo commented on the distribution of information flyers. Mr. Marchand noted locations where they are placed. C. Cirillo suggested information kiosks throughout City to direct visitors. C. Leahy commented on the use of Lucy Larcum Park and how its use could increase by way of closing streets and use of grant money. C. Kennedy suggested placing flyers in hotels throughout area and questioned status of lighting campaign in the City. C. Kennedy noted possibility of having public music in the City. C. Cirillo noted continue support of the arts and opened meeting to the public. Maxine Farcas; Dave Ouellette; and Richard Bolton addressed the body.

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## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn by C. Kennedy, seconded by C. Mercier. So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Michael Q. Geary, City Clerk